

Lorain County *Beekeepers* Association

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President's Message

Hello to all you beekeepers, near and far, rush out right now and get that honey off, "there is gold in them thar hives"!

The Greatest County Fair on earth starts August the 21st, and I sure hope you have entered. Do not forget the meeting August the 12th. will be held in the LCBA Bee Barn also located at the Lorain County Fairgrounds, this is the largest honey bee display anywhere and you can, and should be a part of it!

Come out Monday the 22nd and watch the best honey in the world be judged, help LCBA tell all fair goers about beekeeping, we need your support.

This looks like a good week to get those mite treatments on, temps look great if you are using Formic Acid products. Also do not forget there will be a honey tasting competition for all members of LCBA at the regular meeting Sept. 9th. if you are a member, you can enter no charge. We award a trophy that the winner keeps and displays until next competition in 2023.

Your illustrious and humble president,

Denzil



Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

Congratulations to our 50/50 Raffle Winner!!

July Members Meeting

Pat Brooks-Talbott

Don't forget to get your tickets at every meeting!

LCBA Memorial Honey will be available at the July Members Meeting for \$12 a bottle

A gracious thank you to those 50/50 raffle winners who have donated their prize to the LCBA Building Fund.

Also thanks to all of you who have donated to the LCBA Building Fund at every meeting.

September 9th Members Meeting at Life Church at 7 pm

Our September meeting is all about getting your bees prepared for the winter to help keep them alive. This is a meeting you don't want to miss!

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Reminders!!!

Observation hives at the fairgrounds

During fair week we have two observation hives at the fairgrounds with four frames each, one has a marked queen, one does not! We are asking for members to volunteer any time they would like help answer questions about bees and help everyone find the queen. Each station will have a bee bus, queen cage and a yearly marking color code for the queens. This is a great opportunity to help educate the public. If any questions come up that you are not sure of the answer, don't forget their will be at least 3 other beekeepers working as exec of the day and in the sellers booth. The sign up sheet will be available at the members meeting at the fairgrounds on August 12th. You are also welcome to help out during fair week if the hives are unattended. All help is greatly appreciated!

LCBA is looking for volunteers who are interested in helping with a Hospitality Committee. Responsibilities would include setting up the kitchen before and after meetings, preparing coffee, setting out water, desserts and accessories for the meeting. Please let a board member know if you are interested.

End of Summer Classic Volunteer Sign up sheets will be available at the July, August and September members meetings. Volunteers are need to assist with parking, selling 50/50 tickets, Chinese raffle tickets, Bee Hive Raffle tickets, door prizes, educational booth, selling cookbooks and memorial honey, helping with directing foot traffic to talks and vendor areas, setting up and tearing down. Please sign up at the next meetings.

If you or your place of business would like to donate an item, basket or service to our Chinese Raffle Baskets for the End of Summer Classic, please bring these items to our members meeting and see Val Calderwood, valjohn708@gmail.com or call at 440-529-3825. We are a 501 C3 and can provide the paperwork needed for your donation.

Lorain County Beekeepers Fair Updates and Events

August Beekeepers Schedule:

August is a busy time of the year; honey is ready to extract, and the Lorain County Fair is a few weeks away! LCBA's booth is entered each year as an exhibit and our clean up and set up dates are in the schedule below.

Monday, August 5:

Deadline for fair entries at the Lorain County Fair, remember if you are selling everything you sell must be shown!

Friday, August 12th - 6 pm, members meeting at Fairgrounds:

Friday evening is our scheduled time to clean our fair booth at the Lorain County Fairgrounds and set up our exhibit, "Alice in Honeyland." We will start at 6 pm with this meeting being mandatory for all sellers. We will be providing pizza at the end of the night.

Please bring with you any of the following supplies you may have:

Paper towels	Wheelbarrows
Windex	Wet Dry Vacs
Dish detergent for cleaning	Hammer
Rags you do not want back	Nails
Staple Gun with staples	Screwdrivers
Tape Measures	Blades to remove staples
Shovels	Bleach
Brooms	Extension Cords
Dust pans	Boxes
Trash bags	Zippy ties for bee buses
5-gallon buckets	Ladders
Ladders	A big smile!

Thursday, August 18 at 6 pm:

Training session for all sellers at fair booth.

Sunday, August 21, noon to 4 pm:

Bring your honey entries to the fairgrounds.

Fair Week, August 22-28:

Monday, August 22, 9 am to finish:

Honey and bee products judging day!

Sunday, August 28:

6 pm, fair tear down and inventory check out.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon!

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Thank you to the Wellington VFW Eagles for their generous donation to LCBA's building fund for our assistance for selling Raffle Tickets and for our volunteers who helped cars!



Thank you also to the Women's Auxiliary for their generous donation to LCBA's building fund as well!!



Lorain County Beekeepers Spotlight

Beekeeper: John Rose

August 2022

1. How long have you been beekeeping?

I was beekeeping as a child when it was simple with no mites to worry about. Just manage swarms and harvest honey. I re-started back into beekeeping 10 years ago.

2. What prompted you to become a beekeeper?

I was looking for something that could vector me from physics, engineering and math into natural sciences, so beekeeping seemed like a good start.

3. How did you hear about LCBA?

I'm in Litchfield and I needed supplies. It's pretty difficult to not know about QRC and LCBA in this area.

4. Did you have a mentor? If so, who was it?

No, my style of learning prevents me from having a mentor.

5. What has been your biggest challenge?

Probably the prejudice from the 'old guard' of beekeeping (not LCBA) that someone with less years under their belt might actually know what they are talking about.

6. What have you enjoyed most about beekeeping?

Working with youngsters to get them excited and successful in beekeeping. They have open minds and not preconceived biases.

7. How many hives do you have?

Bunches that I do research on and bunches that I allow to make honey

8.. What area is your apiary in? (Village or Township only)

Litchfield and soon to Knox County

9. What are your five year beekeeping goals?

Continue with studies on over wintering with a focus on adjustments that need to be made for a more southern climate. Also look at adjusting the mite control program so it's as effective for Central Ohio as it is for Northeast Ohio.

10. Your words of wisdom to new beekeepers?

Ignore everything on social media about beekeeping. tick to the science and the simple things that are taught in classes such as LCBA does. Use simple and proven techniques.

To Promote Beekeeping through Education, Cooperation and any other Efficient Means

Located in Lorain County, Ohio, LCBA was founded in 1919 as a non-profit organization committed to educating the public about the value of honeybees and the impact honeybees have on our world. We provide educational appearances upon request to schools and groups. LCBA encourages and mentors beginning beekeepers through scholarship programs for students along with adult education.

Monthly Meetings

When: 2nd Friday of each month, starting at 7:00pm to 9:30pm

Where: Life Church

1033 Elm Street, Grafton, OH 44044

Did you know donations to LCBA are tax deductible???

Lorain County Beekeepers Association is now a 501c(3) organization. Any donations made to LCBA are now tax deductible!!!

The BUZZZZ Advertising Fees

Members can place classified ads—maximum 4 lines (approx. 3/4 in by 3 3/4 inch) for free on a one time basis. If the same ad places for more than 1 month, a fee will be charged. There is also a fee if the ad is larger than the size listed above. Ads will run in the newsletter which is posted on the LCBA website and distributed to our member circulation and billed for 12 issues.

Rates are as follows for ads provided by customer *LCBA Officers reserve the right, at their sole discretion, to change, modify, add, or delete all or portions of ads for content. Terms and policies to change. Information posted is a courtesy to LCBA Members and/or a paid advertisement for business entities. LCBA does not endorse or guarantee quality or pricing .

1 (Full) page - \$25.00 per month/issue

Any questions regarding advertising?

1/2 page ad - \$18.00 per month/issue

Contact Lori Keleman at

1/4 page ad - \$12.00 per month/issue

BuzzzzWorthy@gmail.com

1/8 page ad - \$10.00 per month/issue

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July 8th Members Meeting

How to extract honey demonstration

A thank you to John and Corrie for removing the Memorial Hives frames in preparation for the honey extraction demonstration.



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Once again, many thanks to the Wellington Eagles and the Women's Auxiliary for their generous donations to LCBA's building fund.



Lorain County Beekeepers Youth Education

Our Youth Education Program continues to be a success. Here are some comments from our young beekeepers from the community.

Hi Ms. Teeple,

My learning experience so far has been fun and interesting. I enjoy all the new things I have had a opportunity to learn. Each class and meetings have been a big help in my learning journey, teaching me things I never would have known without them, and I'm excited to see how my learning will continue." ~ Asher Hoy

I want to thank LCBA and Queen Right Colonies for my amazing hive. Through my hive I have harvested just over 150 ounces and plan to harvest almost a whole honey supers worth before the 21st of August. I have learned a great deal on how to harvest, when to harvest and general honey knowledge. My experience in the beekeeping community has been a lot of ups and very minimal amounts of downs and it is all because of my mentors and beekeepers around me. I want to thank you all not only for my past harvest but also for any future honey harvests because I could do none of this without the beautiful community I am happy to "bee" a part of! ~ Natalia Rogers

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Saturday, September 24,
“End of Summer Classic”
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End of Summer Classic

KEYNOTE SPEAKER & GUEST SPEAKER

SUSAN COBEY

INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITY IN THE FIELD OF INSTRUMENTAL INSEMINATION OF HONEY BEES
Selection Methods for Honey Bee Breeding & Instrumental Insemination Techniques

KIM FLOTTUM

PAST EDITOR OF BEE CULTURE MAGAZINE & AUTHOR OF MANY BOOKS ON BEEKEEPING
Honey Adulteration



SEPTEMBER 24, 2022
GATES OPEN 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

LORAIN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
WELLINGTON, OHIO

LORAIN COUNTY BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

Bee Part of the Excitement!

Lorain County Beekeepers Association proudly presents the End of Summer Classic 2022. This will be a fun-filled community educational day including; beekeeping experts & buzz, family-friendly activities, local artisans, crafters & vendors, fair food, games, door prizes and raffles. Plus a Classic Cruisin' with Frank LaManna Presents.

Day's Timeline of Events

- 9:00 am: Opening Announcements
- 10:30 am: Susan Cobey
- 12:30 pm: Kim Flottum
- 2:00 pm: Susan Cobey
- 3:15 pm: Drawings

Special Attractions

- LCBA Raffles
- LCBA Door Prizes
- Beekeeping Experts
- Classic Cruisin' with FLP
- Petitti Garden Centers
- Meyer Hatchery
- Buggy Rides
- Bounce House
- Crafters & Vendors
- Food & Beverages
- Music



"Our first End of Summer Classic was a remarkable accomplishment, not equal to any other. The Lorain County Fairgrounds venue was perfect for our event. We had over 600 in attendance, a lineup of great speakers, a vendor hall filled with all kinds of merchandise, fantastic food, car show, children's activities, buggy rides and more. The 2022 EOSC looks bright and will be an event to remember."

Gene Gargas, EOSC Chairman



2022 END OF SUMMER CLASSIC

Admission \$5 13 and under free

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Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

LCBA's Memorial Hive Garden

How much it has changed over the years. Thank you to Corrie for helping with the last change overs...it has come a long way over the years and it looks absolutely beautiful !! And thank you to all that had a dream... so long ago and helped along the way...





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The Sunflowers at the Lorain County Fairgrounds are just beautiful!!!!



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